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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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HEARING AID COMPRISING AN ARRAY
OF MICROPHONES

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of August 13, 2002,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 1 as follows:

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--1. (twice amended) Hearing aid for improving the
hearing ability of a hard of hearing user, comprising:

an array of microphones (8-12), each of the microphones
producing an electrical output microphone signal, the electrical
output microphone signals being used to generate two array output
signals;

means for deriving the two array output signals from
the electrical output microphone signals of the array of
microphones (8-12; 26-36), the array of microphones having two
main sensitivity directions (5, 6) running at an angle with